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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action of June 22, 2004, please amend this application as follows:

In the Specification:

At page 6, line 19 insert:

Steps 300 and 400 are analogous to steps 30 (Fig. 1) and 40 (Fig. 1), respectively.

In the claims:

1. (currently amended) A method of <u>determining content type by</u> searching for a character pattern

known to be associated with the content type within a data stream comprising:

computing a first checksum for said character pattern;

computing another a second checksum for a predetermined portion of said data stream;

and